



JUDICIAL PROFILE

Joseph B. Heilman was appointed to the bench in November 1999 and is assigned to the Civil Department. He received a law degree in 1977 from Arizona State University College of Law and a Bachelor of Arts Degree (cum laude) in secondary education from Arizona State University in 1974. Upon receiving his law degree he began his career in private practice in 1977 as a partner in the Scottsdale firm of Hungerford, Heilman & Ventre. In 1989, he ended his 13-year civil litigation practice and joined the Maricopa County Attorney's office. In 1993, he moved to Denver and worked for the Resolution Trust Corporation as a Senior Litigation Attorney. One year later, he moved back to the Valley and resumed his position as a Deputy County Attorney prosecuting crimes in both the Sex Crimes and the Homicide Bureaus of that office.

Judge Heilman is a member of the State Bar Criminal Rules Committee, Los Abogados Hispanic Bar Association, the National District Attorney's Association and the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children. He is a former faculty member of the National College of District Attorneys and has lectured extensively for the Arizona Peace Officer's Standards and Training Board.

